

# Hal Frentz 'Citizen of Year' Winner

## Air Day Fete to Climax

TORRANCE — Annual Airport Days festivities wind up today at Torrance Airport. A record crowd is expected.

The unique fly-in, drive-in breakfast runs from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., featuring hotcakes, juice, sausage and milk or coffee for 75 cents.

Also on tap today is a Torrance-to-Warner Springs air derby scheduled from noon to 3 p.m. A banquet at the Jump 'n Jack Restaurant will climax the two-day program.

On display are antique airplanes and cars, aerospace products, military classic aircraft and specimens from the million-dollar Air Museum collection in Claremont.

Air rides at a penny-per-pound will be offered today, and a rare B-17 will be on display.

Torrance Chamber of Commerce and the city Airport Commission are cosponsors of the event. Exhibits and displays are open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. today.

## 'Miracle Surgery' Not Complete On 'Drug Baby'

TORRANCE — Two additional operations must be performed on thalidomide baby William Webb Jr., an announcement by Harbor General Hospital has disclosed.

The fourth and expected final surgery was performed Thursday, but physicians said there was not sufficient time to permit all necessary phases.

A hospital bulletin says the infant, born June 15 to a Gardena couple, is resting well and is in satisfactory condition.

No date has been set for the fifth and sixth operations.

## Four Coeds Vie For Grid Queen

EL CAMINO COLLEGE — Four Torrance girls are among 12 college coeds vying for the title of 1962 grid queen. Two princesses and a queen will be selected.

The queen and her court will be elected Wednesday by male students and will reign over the grid dance Friday and the El Camino versus East Los Angeles JC football game Saturday.

Torrance candidates are Serena Ross, 18, Patti Campisi, 18, and Carol Lowe, 17, all former students at South High School, and Gail Cooper, 18, and ex-student at North High.

Other candidates are Joan Leppert, 18; Judy Morris, 18; Sandy Sher, 17; Karen McGee, 18; Helen Beeman, 22; Carol DeBruhl, 18; Vicki Kocher, 18; and Judy Kostelny, 17.



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# Anderson, Christopher Appear During Seminar

## Federal Aid Is Prime Topic

TORRANCE — Mayor Christopher of San Francisco and Lt. Gov. Anderson crossed paths uneventfully here yesterday at the second annual Independent Cities Seminar.

Christopher and Anderson, opposing gubernatorial candidates, spoke at a luncheon meeting of the day-long session.

In his talk, Christopher said he had turned down \$2 million in federal aid for freeways for San Francisco because the city engineer was not allowed to assist in planning.

Anderson discussed federal aid, indicating he favors it only in limited areas. City councilmen, city managers and other municipal officials from 30 Southern California communities were on hand for the seminar.

Panel discussions held during the morning hours included these topics:

"To what degree should cities accept 'handout' programs from higher jurisdictions." In favor was Joe Quinn, assistant to LA Mayor Yorty. Against aid was Frederick W. Sharp, chief Pomona administrative officer.

## Local Parents Go to School

Torrance High School's annual "Back to School" night has been scheduled Wednesday.

Letters of invitation to attend the event have been mailed to all high school parents. "Back to School" night, sponsored jointly by Torrance High School students, faculty and the Parent-Teacher Association, will feature classroom visitations on a programmed basis by the parents of Torrance High students.

Dr. Carl R. Ahee, principal, says the program will begin with a short meeting of parents in the school auditorium at 7:30 p.m. Parents will be dismissed from this meeting at 7:55 p.m., to attend a six period day, featuring periods of 12 minutes in length.



LT. GOV. ANDERSON (left) gets greeting from Torrance delegation at second annual Independent Cities Seminar. Anderson was one of principal speakers at event. With him are Councilman J. A. Beasley (center) and Nick Drae. Anderson overlapped appearances with George Christopher, opposing gubernatorial candidate and mayor of San Francisco.



MAYOR CHRISTOPHER of San Francisco speaks at second annual Independent Cities Seminar. In right foreground is City Manager Wade Peebles of Torrance, one of estimated 200 city officials attending day-long event. City managers, mayors, councilmen and other city administrators took part. —PRESS photo

## Lions Set 'White Cane Days,' Plan Torrance Fund Drive

TORRANCE — Lions Club preparations for White Cane Days Oct. 5 and 6 are

under way today as proclaimed by Mayor Albert Isen and city councilmen.

White Cane Days is an annual Lions Club activity to raise funds for eight conservation and aid to the blind. Lion members and their wives will be selling miniature white canes to Torrance residents on these two days.

Miss Torrance, Bobett King, has been named queen of White Cane Days.

Paul Ludwig, Lions sight conservation committee chairman, said the club is making plans to donate a surgical microscope to Torrance Memorial Hospital with funds raised.

In recent years the Lions Club has spent its White Cane funds (\$10,500) in such projects as eye examination, lenses and frames, braille writers and electro magnets for two local hospitals for the removal of steel particles from the eye, eye surgery, support of the

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## Hundreds See Award Banquet

TORRANCE — Nearly 500 persons turned out Thursday as the Chamber of Commerce honored its "Citizen of the Year" and paid tribute to a wide cross-section of community effort.

Harold (Hal) Frentz, 1961-62 president of the chamber, won the coveted "Citizen of the Year" award.

Fifteen Torrance buildings in three categories were honored with the first annual Architectural Merit Awards.

Chamber members and guests dined at the Pen and Quill Restaurant, Manhattan Beach, then participated in the awards ceremonies. Telling of the Rancho San Pedro story by James P. Bradley, president of Dominguez Water Corp., also highlighted the event.

Cited with Architectural Merit Awards were buildings in these categories:

**WINNERS NAMED**  
Commercial — Del Amo Shopping Center, Home Savings and Loan Assn., Lessin and Foley (Attorneys), Pacific Telephone, Palos Verdes Begonia Farm, Security First National Bank and The Akron.

Industrial — Bethlehem Steel Co., Magnavox Research Laboratories, R. C. Mahon Co. and Marshall Laboratories.

Public — First Methodist Church, Little Company of Mary Hospital, L. A. County Building (civic center) and St. Catherine Labourer Roman Catholic Church.

**LENGTHY RECORD**  
Frentz, presented his citizen award by Chamber President Martin M. Denn, boasts a lengthy record of community service. His activities include, in addition to his post as chamber president, chairman of the 1962 YMCA fundraising drive, Harbor Area commerce-industry chairman for Community Chest, area co-chairman for Southwest Junior Achievement program, Heart Fund, Red Cross.

Politi is a native of Fresno. He was educated in Italy and now lives in Los Angeles. His first book was "Angel of Olvera Street," published in 1946. In 1950 he received the Caldecott Medal for "Song of the Swallows." His latest book is a copiously illustrated edition of the familiar children's hymn, "All Things Bright and Beautiful."

A selection of the artist's books and paintings will be on display at the library opening.

Politi will be preceded on the program by Mayor Albert Isen, County Librarian John D. Henderson, and Mrs. N. F. Jamieson.

Mrs. Jamieson, member of the Torrance family which founded the city bearing their name, was formerly city librarian of Torrance and regional librarian of the Torrance-South Bay Region of Los Angeles County Public Library.

The invocation will be given by Rev. David O. Beadles of Waverly Community Methodist Church, and the benediction by Rev. James W. Reid of the First Baptist Church of Waverly.

Boy Scout Troop 240, led by Tom Short, will present the colors. Bugler will be Billy Mitchell, 13, grandson of Waverly librarian Mrs. Margaret Dowd. George Kurtz, chairman of the Torrance Library Commission, will serve as master of ceremonies. Following the dedication.

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## Smut Drive Leader Asks New Action

TORRANCE — Don Cortum, center of decent literature controversy at last week's City Council session, has renewed his request for financing of a trip to Cincinnati.

Cortum attended a national meeting of the Citizens for Decent Literature and Motion Pictures Inc., but was denied city money to defray costs.

Cortum was appointed to the city's decent literature committee in 1957, but councilmen claimed the committee has been inactive.

His renewed request for money, contained in a letter on Tuesday's council agenda is up for possible action.



RIBBON-CUTTING ceremony in front of White Front, discount store opening soon at Hawthorne and Torrance Blvds., is performed by pert Bobett King, Miss Torrance. Helping with the "details" are (back, l-r) Ken Miller, city councilman; Bob Mirman, general manager of White Front; Martin Denn, Chamber of Commerce president; (front, left and right) Bob Zide and Bob Rosenbloom, White Front supervisors. —PRESS photo



CITIZEN OF YEAR Hal Frentz (right) is congratulated by Martin M. Denn, president of Torrance Chamber of Commerce. Honor was conferred on Frentz at Thursday banquet ceremony, attended by estimated 470 persons. Fifteen Architectural Merit Awards also were presented. —PRESS photo